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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICA'S ENTRY IN THE WAR.

REPRESENTATIVES PASS WAR
RESOLUTION BY 373
VOTES TO 50.

THE LADY MEMBER WEEPS.

WASHINGTON, April 6.

The House of Representatives has
passed the resolution by 373 votes
to 50.

Miss Rankin, the only lady mem-
ber of the House, did not answer the
first roll call, but sat with her head
bowed. She rose upon the second
call and exclaimed sobbingly: "I
want to stand by my country but I
cannot vote for war." There were
cries of "Vote! Vote!" from all
parts of the House.

Finally Miss Rankin sank into her
seat and was recorded as voting in
the negative.

A HUGE APPROPRIATION.

WASHINGTON, April 5.

The executive departments have
requested Congress for an immediate
appropriation of \$3,400,000,000 for
the army and navy, of which over
\$2,000,000,000 is for the army alone.

AUSTRIA AND THE UNITED STATES.

MINISTER INSTRUCTED TO
DEMAND PASSPORTS.

AMSTERDAM, April 6.

A message from Vienna states that
the Austrian Ambassador to the
United States was instructed to
demand his passports if Congress
ratified a state of war with Germany.

THE ZIMMERMANN NOTE RELATING TO MEXICO.

WASHINGTON, April 6.

In the course of the debate on the
War resolution, in the House of
Representatives, a member of the
Foreign Affairs Committee declared
that an unpublished paragraph
in Zimmermann's Note offered to
establish submarine bases in Mex-
ican ports, to supply Mexico with
arms and ammunition, and arrange an
attack all along the border.

Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State, has
denied the statement made by
a member of the Foreign Affairs
Committee with regard to Mexico, but
the latter has reiterated that his
information is correct. He said that
Mr. Lansing's denial is a diplomatic one
made in the interests of good relations
with Mexico.

FRENCH PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT WILSON.

PARIS, April 5.

M. Poincaré has sent a message to
President Wilson expressing "the joy
and pride with which the French
nation again feels our hearts beating in
unison with yours." The war, he says,
could not have attained its full
significance if the United States had not
been led by the enemy himself to
participate.

The Chamber of Deputies and the
Senate were crowded with people to
listen to the tributes to America by the
Chairmen, M. Deschanel and M. Dubost
respectively, and also of M. Ribot, the
Premier, whose eloquent orations will be
placarded throughout France.

The Municipality of Paris has ordered
that President Wilson's speech shall be
published in book form and distributed
to all school children.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH ADVANCE.

A DAY OF SANGUINARY DEFEATS
FOR THE ENEMY.

PARIS, April 6.

A French expert states that no
obstacle checks the offensive of the
Allied armies or stops their dash.
Yesterday was another day of sanguinary
defeats of the enemy and despite his
desperate defence, the department of
the Somme was entirely freed of the
invader. Reconnaissances reached to
within 1,500 yards of the gates of St.
Quentin. The Germans attempted to
carry out big diversions in the Argonne
and in the Champagne, especially in the
latter section where every kind of bom-
bardment and the employment of the
div of their troops gained only
ephemeral success.

FRENCH COMMUNIQUE.

LONDON, April 6.

Yesterday evening's French com-
munique, issued to-day, states:
We silenced vigorous enemy artil-
lery activity to the north of La
Villiers.

The enemy, using liquid fire,
attacked to the north of Vinne-le-
Chateau on the western boundary of
the Argonne. We repulsed the
attack, the enemy leaving their dead
behind and some prisoners.

A German attack on Sapienud
and Godat furni developed on a front
of 2,500 metres. The enemy col-
lected numerous selected storming
troops, but the attack completely
failed.

This afternoon's French commu-
nique reports:

There was fairly lively artillery
activity during the night between the
Somme and the Oise. German
counter-attacks were stopped dead
to the north of La Folie Farm.

We considerably progressed to the
south of the Oise and north of
Landricourt.

We progressed by means of
grenades and re-occupied fresh por-
tions of the trench to the north-west
of Rheims.

AERIAL WARFARE.

LONDON, April 6.

A German official message, trans-
mitted by wireless, reports:
Four British aeroplanes which
reached Douai were chased and all
were destroyed. Apart from these,
the enemy lost eight machines.
Three of ours are missing.

VICTIMS OF THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

A NATIONAL FUNERAL.

PETROGRAD, April 6.

There was a national funeral of
130 victims of the Revolution in
which 1,000,000 civilians and
soldiers participated. Factories,
schools, etc., were closed.
The bodies were buried at the four
corners of a quadrangular space in
the centre of the snow-covered
Marsovopol Square. Six huge
processions started from different
parts of the town in mourning,
carrying the zinc coffins covered with
red. The crowds sang hymns to the
eternal memory of the dead, alternat-
ing with the Revolutionary march
"You fell as victims."

Bands played the Marseillaise and
the guise of the fortress of St. Peter
and St. Paul marked the lowering of
each coffin into the trench.

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GENERAL POST OFFICE, LONDON, June, 1916.

(For examples of Investment in War Savings Certificates, see the other side.)

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£40	£40 60	£44 40	£49 00	£53 00	£57 00
£50	£50 75	£55 50	£61 15	£66 15	£71 15
£60	£60 90	£66 60	£73 30	£79 30	£85 30
£70	£70 15	£77 15	£84 15	£91 15	£98 15
£80	£80 30	£88 30	£96 30	£104 30	£112 30
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Hongkong, April 2, 1917. 1834

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F. LINDSAY WOODS, Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, April 4, 1917. 1840

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THE WAR.SOME DEFINITIONS OF CHINA'S
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A celebrated Chinese scholar named Su Tze-jen (蘇子瞻) once said "The position of a man who is fond of just is exactly like that of a man who is fond of militarism. There are many things which can injure one's health. Those who are fond of just must die. There are many things which can hurt the public. Those who are fond of militarism must perish. It cannot be otherwise." "Militarism is just like fire. If one be not careful, one will burn oneself." The circumstances, under which Emperor Shun Chi (the first Emperor of the Manchu Dynasty) entered the gates of China, give a very grave warning to us.

Since our severance of diplomatic relations with Germany the rumour of a fourth revolution has threatened our ears. This news is not at all acceptable and is alarming to our true patriots. You have been one of those who restored our Republic, and our countrymen love you with all their heart. For the welfare of your country you did much in the past, you still have a great deal to do in the future. Alas! What day is today? We are living in a time when might is right. Diplomacy cannot be relied upon, because treaties have been regarded as mere "scraps of paper." International law is useless, for "necessity knows no law." The flesh of the weak is devoured by the strong. That is why we have severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

At the present time as far as Germany is concerned, she has no love for us except hatred. She will surely revenge us some day. "We cannot blame our action in the past, but we must prepare ourselves for the future." As we have a dangerous and hard time before us, from the President down to the humblest Chinese citizen, we must lay aside personal aims and ambition. As regards diplomacy, we must present a united front. As regards internal management of state affairs, we must discuss matters carefully and thoroughly before taking action. "When we are prepared, there will be no danger. It would be too late for us to lick our navel, if we keep on sleeping." Mencius said: "What the superior loves, his inferiors will be found to love exceedingly. The relation between superiors and inferiors is like that between the wind and the grass. The grass must bend when the wind blows upon it." We all know the heart of Your Excellency.

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THE WAR.

(Continued from Page 1.)

SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ENCIRCLING ST. QUENTIN.

FATE OF THE CITY ALREADY SEALED.

A DRAMATIC SITUATION.

LONDON, April 5. The progress reported in last night's French communiqué is part of a great French encircling movement south of St. Quentin whose fate is already sealed.

The situation is dramatic, as the British to the north are only two miles from the town and the French to the south 21 miles distant.

It is expected that the honour of the capture will fall to the French, who at Moy, are on the Hindenburg line.

The suddenness of the British advance disconcerted the enemy whose over-confidence in employing artillery forced him to abandon six guns. His attempt to recover them led to a most dramatic close-quarter fight with bombs, bayonets and clubbed rifles, in which the British steadily drove back the Prussians through Savy Wood.

FRENCH COMMUNIQUE.

ENEMY DRIVEN BEYOND DOMINATING POSITIONS.

LONDON, April 5. A French communiqué states: "Notwithstanding furious snow squalls and soaked ground we drove the enemy back on the whole front from the Somme and the Oise, and threw him back beyond a most important dominating position marked by the villages of Grugies, Urciers and Moy, which we brilliantly carried."

North of the Farm of La Folle the Germans, hustled by our irresistible attack, precipitately quitted three lines of trenches protected by wire entanglements, abandoning wounded and considerable material.

South of Allotte the situation is unchanged. In the region of Margival-la-Faux there has been a violent artillery duel. On the Woevre our long-range guns caught enemy detachments in the station at Vigneulles.

ENEMY BOMBARDING RHEIMS.

PARIS, April 5. The Germans are furiously bombarding Rheims.

The Mayor has requested many of the inhabitants to leave.

THE RUSSIAN REVERSE.

PURELY LOCAL.

LONDON, April 5. The reverse admitted by the Russians in Volhynia was of a purely local character. It does not seem to be the prelude of a big German offensive as the country is very marshy and wooded and suffering from the thaw.

KAISER REPORTED TO BE FATALLY ILL.

LONDON, April 5. The Washington Correspondent of the Morning Post reports that American financiers with German connections are responsible for the report that the Kaiser is fatally ill of Bright's disease.

THE BRITISH MAN-POWER QUESTION.

LONDON, April 5. The State medical re-examination bill will not go far to providing an additional half-million men. It is increasingly clear that resort must be made to men over 41. It is suggested that these should be formed into battalions to work or fight at home, releasing young bodied men for service in the field.

The newspapers welcome Sir William Robertson's plain speaking, and say there is no doubt the nation will respond all the better for knowing the truth.

They point out that the British troops have already proved their ability to break any line the Germans can create if the nation provides the additional men. Our superiority will grow till the enemy cranks.

AMERICA'S DECISION.

SPEECHES IN THE SENATE.

SENATE PASSES THE RESOLUTION PRACTICALLY UNANIMOUSLY.

WASHINGTON, April 5. The Senate passed the War resolution by 82 votes to 12.

LATER.

"The resolution, as slightly amended, was passed at 11 o'clock in the evening amid great solemnity. There was no demonstration."

It had been debated for thirteen hours continuously. The debate reached its climax by Senator Williams spiritedly affirming that America should stay in the war until the Hohenzollerns and Hapsburgs are dethroned and the Turks driven out of Europe.

Senator Hastings of Wisconsin, a colleague of Senator La Follette, deserting the latter, stated that if the question: "Shall the United States support President Wilson?" were submitted to the people they would answer it overwhelmingly in the affirmative.

The resolution goes to the House of Representatives tomorrow (6th inst.).

EARLIER.

The speeches in the Senate on the War motion were characterized by the resoluteness of the utterances in support of it.

Senator Hitchcock, the introducer of the motion, strikingly declared his conversion and revealed his previous bitter opposition to war, notwithstanding the overwhelming demand of the people and the view of the majority in Congress. He had besought the President to adhere to the policy of armed neutrality, but the information in President Wilson's possession rendered that impossible. He dwelt on the high-minded purpose inspiring President Wilson's declaration of war, and insisted that the United States was not in the least influenced by a desire to acquire territory, to recover indemnity, or to settle any historic grudge. "The time for discussion has passed and the time for action has arrived."

Senator Swanson said the issue was whether we would accept war or abject, cowardly submission.

Senator Lodge, in an eloquent speech, urged the seizure of German merchant ships in American ports to replace those that had been submerged. He appealed for a sinking of political differences, and urged universal military service. He expressed the hope that it would be possible to send 16,000 regular troops to Europe in order that the United States flag would at least be unfurled in the fields of France. "The worst of all wars," he said, "is a feeble war. If we fight at all we must fight for all we are worth." The speech was loudly cheered.

Four Senators following announced their intention of voting against the resolution, but pledged their support of the war once it had begun.

ENTENTE PRESS OPINIONS.

LONDON, April 5. The entire Entente Press hails as an event of epoch-making significance President Wilson's decision, and agrees that the speech will go down to history as a most memorable utterance.

The Paris *Figaro* says: "Today marks the moment when the whole world grasps the fact that it is impossible to live freely on earth side by side with Germany and her powerful Army."

The *Caillon* says: "President Wilson's decision is overwhelming for the enemy and most significant for those defending freedom."

The *Matin* refers to President Wilson as a great citizen and thorough statesman, who, despite snares and obstacles, has succeeded in bringing a hundred million free citizens to cast their goods and persons into the fray for the triumph of right against absolutism and militarism.

The *Petit Parisien* says: "America joining the war on the morrow of the Russian Revolution is a final warning to the German people—if, indeed, the latter is capable of understanding this mighty double lesson."

M. Pichon, ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs, writing in the *Petit Journal*, says: "America will bring to these fighting the leprosy which has been corroding Europe, and which threatens to spread over the world, her invincible strength, her credit and commercial and industrial resources, her Fleet and Army, and great moral power. From to-day the days of death-scattering mad beasts are numbered."

The *Tribuna*, Rome, says: "America's entrance seals definitely the character of the world war as that of a democratic alliance against an autocratic alliance."

The *Journal d'Italia*, Rome, says: "America's step means that the world conflict can only be settled by the triumph of the principles of nationalities, equality of States, and liberties of all, all of which are fundamental principles which the Central Powers desire to crush and persist in declining to recognize."

THE NEWS IN PETROGRAD.

PETROGRAD, April 4. The news caused a great sensation. Speakers explained its significance to crowds of troops and civilians amid wild cheers.

AMERICA'S WAR REVENUE.

1,600 MILLIONS STERLING EXPECTED.

LONDON, April 5. A telegram from New York says it is expected that an additional revenue of 1,600 millions sterling for the United States and the Allies will be raised before the end of the year.

SHIPPING TONNAGE IN AMERICA.

HUGE BENEFITS FOR THE ALLIES.

LONDON, April 5. Apart from benefiting by the 600,000 tons of German shipping in American ports the Allies will profit by the huge development of American shipbuilding. There is seven times the tonnage now building compared with the total output of 1914. Great orders were recently placed in the United States on behalf of Great Britain.

GERMAN PLOTTING IN AMERICA.

MEXICAN SPIES AT NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, April 5. Two Mexicans have been arrested at Brooklyn as spies. German agents are working in the southern States stirring up the negroes on the plantations.

BRITISH TONNAGE.

MAKING THE BEST USE OF IT.

LONDON, April 5. In the House of Commons, Sir Chiozza Money said, the Shipping Controller was endeavouring to map out the world trade of Great Britain in order to provide that the best use was made of the tonnage available.

Traders could help by keeping the Department in touch with the needs of particular interests.

The Controller was endeavouring also to survey the whole field of imports in relation to the tonnage estimated to be available during the remainder of the year, and, as it were, form a balance sheet. The idea was to arrange a priority of imports. Every effort would be made to make the inevitable dislocation as light as possible.

The Controller had hitherto requisitioned 1,000 vessels, including 800 cargo steamers trading in well-established lines of communication. The Department was "combing out" vessels from the distant parts of the world and employing them on shorter voyages nearer home, so that the largest available amounts of imports for the civilian population would be secured. The Dominions had loyally accepted the position, despite the loss to them.

ANOTHER BELGIAN RELIEF STEAMER SUNK.

CREW IN BOATS SHELLED.

YUCIDEN, April 5. A German submarine torpedoed without warning yesterday, twelve miles off Scheveningen, the Belgian relief steamer *Trevier*, bound from New York to Rotterdam with a cargo of grain.

Twenty-four of the crew were brought to Yuciden, eight of them wounded, owing to the submarine shelling the boats.

SUBMARINISM.

ITALIAN SHIPPING RETURNS.

LONDON, April 4. An Italian Naval communiqué states that during the week ending 1st inst., 432 merchantmen arrived and 458 left Italy. Six Italian sailing ships were sunk, of which five were under 100 tons.

SWEDISH SEAMEN STARVING.

COPENHAGEN, April 5. As a result of the German submarine warfare, seamen have been discharged wholesale in Swedish ports. Many are starving. Numbers have been sent to work in the forests.

THE WORLD'S FOOD SITUATION.

WORSE THAN HAD BEEN EXPECTED.

ROME, April 5. The American representative of the Institute of Agriculture states that the world's food situation is worse than was expected in October. America must help to relieve the Allies. He has urged President Wilson to mobilise agriculture.

THE PRICE OF WHEAT AND BREAD.

LONDON, April 5. The Food Controller has proposed in the Cabinet that the price of wheat be immediately fixed at a substantially lower price than at present and that the price of bread be fixed on the basis of the new price of wheat. He also proposed that the Government should entirely control all bread-stuffs in the country.

BREAD TICKETS IN SWITZERLAND.

BERNE, April 5. Bread tickets are to be issued in Switzerland on May 1st.

AFFAIRS IN RUSSIA.

SUPPORT FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

PETROGRAD, April 5. The Union of Republican Soldiers has resolved to support the Government most vigorously in the continuance of the war and until a durable peace assures the safety of the Russian Republic.

4100,000,000 FOR FRANCE.

AMERICA'S PROBABLE GIFT.

LONDON, April 4. Reuter has been informed that the United States will probably make a free gift, possibly 4100,000,000 sterling to France, to be considered as repayment of the financial assistance of France during the American Revolution.

THE FATE OF CONSTANTINOPLE.

WILL THE CITY BE INTERNATIONALISED?

LONDON, April 4. In the House of Commons, Mr. Balfour stated that the Russian Government had said nothing to Britain regarding a statement by the Russian Minister of Justice, that Russia would be content with the internationalisation of Constantinople.

GENERAL LYAUTEY APPOINTED TO MOROCCO.

PARIS, April 5. General Lyauté, who recently resigned office as Minister for War, has been appointed Resident-General of Morocco.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

LONDON, April 5. The Bank of England Discount Rate is now five per cent.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT ADJOURNS.

LONDON, April 5. The House of Commons has adjourned until April 17th.

TRADE CARD SCHEME.

LONDON, April 5. With reference to the Trade Card Scheme, General Sir William Robertson, Chief of the General Staff addressing a representative meeting of working men expressed at the outset, his great sympathy with Labour, saying that he began at the bottom of the ladder and served several years in the ranks, and claimed to know how the working man looks at labour questions. He proceeded to state that there was an imperative need by the War Office for men, the supply of whom it relied upon the Government to furnish. He dealt with the criticism that the War Office does not make the best use of the men it gets. Mistakes had admittedly been made, but he pointed out that this was the natural result of our unpreparedness for war through the absence of the Continental system of organisation. Our faulty system was due to want of foresight and preparation before the war on the part of the nation as a whole.

IMPERIAL WAR CONFERENCE.

MESSAGE FROM THE KING.

LONDON, April 4. The Press Bureau announces that His Majesty the King has sent a message to the Imperial War Conference, thanking that body for the assurance of the devoted loyalty of all parts of the Empire. His Majesty states that he is glad that India is represented for the first time on the Council Board. He was well aware of the affection and loyalty of all the Dominions, and had received their loyal resolution with particular pleasure as the first act of the Conference. He is keenly interested in their deliberations and trusts that the Conference will lead to a closer knitting of the whole Empire and united efforts to bring the war to a victorious conclusion.

BRITISH LABOUR MEMBERS TO VISIT RUSSIA.

LONDON, April 4. Mr. Bonar Law stated in the House of Commons that two Labour Members of the House of Commons were going to visit Russia at the request of the Imperial War Conference with the object of conveying the congratulations and sympathy of British Labour to their comrades in Russia, and encouraging the Russian Government in the prosecution of the war. The Russian Government had stated that the visit would be most welcome. (Cheers.) A similar delegation was going from France.

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EMIGRANTS FROM INDIA.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CONFERENCE.

LONDON, April 4. In the House of Commons, Mr. Austin Chamberlain stated that an Inter-Departmental Conference, on which the Government of India would be represented, would be held in London in May, to discuss the question of the abolition of indentured emigration from India. Meanwhile it had become necessary to stop indentured emigration in order not to interfere with military recruiting in India. The Viceroy had informed him (Mr. Chamberlain) that he and the Government of India wished that the indentured system of recruitment should not be resumed.

ELECTORAL REFORM BILL.

LONDON, April 5. It is understood that proportional representation will be included in the Electoral Reform Bill when introduced by Mr. Cave K.C. as the Cabinet has decided to leave the Conference scheme practically intact.

OBITUARY.

LORD ALLERTON.

LONDON, April 4. The death is announced of Lord Allerton, Chairman of the Great Northern Railway Company. (The deceased nobleman filled the post of Financial Secretary to the Treasury from 1885 to 1891; was Chief Secretary for Ireland, 1891-2, and represented North Leeds from 1880 to 1902.)

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FIGHTING THE TURKS.

RUSSIANS JOIN UP WITH BRITISH.

London, April 5.

A Russian official report states: "We have occupied Kharin and Kharichin. A battle is proceeding with the Turkish rear-guard, who are making an effort to hold the Dnieper crossing. A Cossack detachment has left Kharin for Kyzylbat for the purpose of joining the British."

Petrograd, April 6. The Russian forces have joined hands with the British forces at Kyzylbat. An official despatch from Moscow reports: "The Russian and British detachments established touch on April 2, on the left bank of the Dnieper River. The Turks are reported to be retreating towards Kharin."

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

GERMANS DRIVEN FROM CAPTURED TRENCHES.

London, April 6.

A Russian official message, transmitted by wireless, reports: "After heavy artillery activity, including the use of chemical shells, the Germans occupied a portion of the trenches to the east of Makamen, southward of Riga but they were driven out. Ten Russian aeroplanes bombed the railway buildings at Kury, to the south-west of Swirski. French aeroplanes, in the Dobrupa, twice bombarded a battery to the north of Garvan. Our aeroplanes successfully bombed fortifications on the Bosphorus."

THE RUSSIAN REVERSE ON THE STOKHOLM.

London, April 6.

A Russian official message, transmitted by wireless, reports: "In the fighting on the left bank of the Stockholm on April 3, which ended in our crossing to the right bank, the troops defending the bridge-head lost severely. Only a few score of men of two regiments reached the right bank. Both commanders were killed and a third regiment lost half of its effectives, and only some hundreds of the two other regiments survived."

THE GERMAN REPORT.

London, April 6.

A German official message says: "During the capture of the bridge-head at Tokoh, on the Stockholm, we captured 130 officers, 9,500 men, 15 guns, 250 machine-guns and mine-throwers."

THE MACEDONIAN FRONT.

London, April 6.

A French communiqué states: "The Macedonian army experienced a cannonade along the whole front. British aviators dropped bombs on the enemy aerodrome of Hudova. A German official message says: "Our airmen blew up extensive munition depots in the Vardar Valley."

ENEMY AEROPLANE DROPS BOMBS IN KENT.

London, April 5.

The Press Bureau announces that an aeroplane passed over the Kentish coast towns at 10.45 on Thursday night. It dropped eight bombs, the majority of which fell in open country. There were no casualties and no damage was done."

THE SUGAR INDUSTRY OF JAMAICA.

KINGSTON, (Jamaica) April 6.

Sir Francis Watts, the Imperial Commissioner for the West Indies, has arrived and will submit plans to develop the sugar industry in Jamaica. In an interview, Sir Francis Watts stated that the industry is booming in the sister islands. The system of indentured labour would be abolished. Coolie labour would still be employed in the sugar industry, but it would be free labour. A goodly number of time-expired immigrants who had settled in the different Colonies were earning a good living on sugar estates."

NO FRESH PEACE OFFER.

AMSTERDAM, April 6.

The *Cologne Gazette* and other German papers are now denying that the Central Powers are about to make a fresh peace offer. They state that the rumours in this connection based on Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg's speech and Count Czernin's interview are to be regretted."

PRESIDENT WILSON'S SPEECH.

A "HEAVILY CENSORED" VERSION PUBLISHED IN GERMANY.

COPENHAGEN, April 5. The German newspapers have published a heavily censored version of President Wilson's speech. References to the activities of German spies in the United States and the efforts to stir up Mexico, it is notable, were suppressed and the denunciation of autocrats was much toned down.

THE SUBMARINE PIRACY.

BRAZILIAN SHIP TORPEDOED.

SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT BY BRAZILIAN FOREIGN MINISTER.

CHERBOURG, April 6. The Brazilian liner *Parana* has been sunk. Thirteen of the crew are missing.

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 6. The Foreign Minister of Brazil, referring to the sinking of the *Parana*, stated that Brazil had been most "patient in the past." "All the world shall see that we can be firm."

A SINGLE OCCUPANT IN A WATER-LOGGED BOAT.

London, April 6.

A water-logged boat was picked up in mid-ocean containing a single occupant who was unconscious. He was the carpenter of a British barque and told a terrible tale of suffering.

After leaving the "submarine barque" a boat containing twelve occupants capsized in a gale. Eight of the occupants, on the bottom of the boat, eventually righted it, it capsized again and was righted a second time. Seven in succession died from exposure during the course of the following 24 hours.

NORWEGIAN SHIPPING LOSSES.

CHRISTIANIA, April 5.

Forty-one Norwegian vessels were torpedoed during February. Fourteen of the crews were killed and 22 are missing. Sixty-four vessels were torpedoed during March, of which 46 were killed and 100 are missing.

NORWEGIAN SHIP TOWS HELPLESS GERMAN SUBMARINE.

COPENHAGEN, April 6.

The Norwegian steamer *Nauna*, from Cadiz, towed a helpless German submarine in the North Sea to Germany at the latter's request. Eight German torpedo-boats appeared off the Jutland coast and took the *Nauna* to Cuxhaven, refusing to pilot her back through the mine field. The *Nauna* was detained at Hamburg despite the protests of the Norwegian authorities.

COUNT BERNSTORFF'S NEW APPOINTMENT.

COPENHAGEN, April 6.

It is reported that Count Bernstorff will be appointed German Minister at Stockholm. This is significant in view of the appointment of a strong conservative Cabinet by Sweden.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH ADVANCE.

ENEMY ENTANGLED IN THEIR OWN WIRE.

LONDON, April 5. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig states: "We have captured the villages of Ronsoy and Bease-Boulogne after sharp fighting. The enemy, in retreating, became entangled in their own wires and suffered heavily."

We continue to progress, in spite of resistance, north-east and east of Metz-en-cote. We reached the western and south-western edges of Goetzepourt and Haincourt woods, where we took 60 prisoners, two trench mortars and five machine guns."

GERMAN REPORTS.

CLAIM TO HAVE DEFEATED FRENCH NEAR REIMS.

LONDON, April 5.

A German official report, received by wireless, states: "The English strongly attacked to the north of the Peronne-Cambrai road. We inflicted heavy losses before the retreating French occupied our evacuated positions, south-west of St. Quentin."

Our batteries exploded a munitions depot near Vandresse. The explosion was heard and felt forty kilometres behind our front."

We inflicted a defeat to the north of Rheims and took over eight hundred prisoners. We have captured French trenches to the west of Monast."

RUSSIAN FIGHTING.

SIX ENEMY ASSAULTS DEFEATED.

LONDON, April 5.

A wireless Russian official message transmitted by wireless, states: "The enemy, attacking us in the Zolotofec region, making six assaults in the neighbourhood of Tepelot village. We eventually dislodged the enemy, completely restoring the position."

IN AN OPEN BOAT FOR TEN DAYS.

TERRIBLE SUFFERINGS BY "ALXWICK CASTLE" SURVIVORS.

MADRID, April 5.

Twenty survivors of the *Alxwick Castle* have arrived at Coruna and describe their terrible sufferings from gold, hunger and thirst. They were in an open boat for ten days.

The voyage began with thirty persons, including a Frenchwoman with a four months' old baby and an English nurse. Rations of water and two biscuits apiece were served daily, but latterly the water ran short and rainwater was collected. An Italian cook died on the 21st, an Englishman went mad and died on the 22nd, a passenger, a stoker and a seaman succumbed on the 23rd, a steward died on the 24th, a cabin boy on the 25th and the same day a seaman jumped overboard whom it was impossible to rescue owing to the rough sea. "An officer and a steward died while landing at Coruna."

The survivors declare that if they had been another day at sea they would all have been dead. The mother, baby and nurse have all survived, thanks to the constant kindness of the other survivors who are all Britishers."

THE SUBMARINE BLOCKADE HAS ITS LIMITS.

LONDON, April 5.

Commenting on the returns of submarine the *Times* Naval Correspondent remarks that some features of it indicate that the German "blockade" has its limits. The volume of trade passing through the danger zone shows no great difference since the increase of submarine in the middle of March. Thus, it may be assumed, that neutral traffic being resumed, the losses from submarines and mines do not show any decided tendency to increase and they are apparently much below the total which the enemy confidently anticipated, and which von Bethmann-Hollweg claimed. Meanwhile, the number of armed ships which escape or beat off attack is growing. It may reasonably be expected therefore that the fortitude of our merchant seamen and the energy of the Navy will shortly reap their reward. The tables of the Allies do not show any sign that their mercantile marine is suffering very heavily either from interference of traffic or undue percentage of loss."

CORN FROM ARGENTINE.

BUENOS AIRES, April 5.

The officials here expect that 100,000 tons of corn will be available for export after the needs of the country have been satisfied."

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ST. GEORGE'S DAY CELEBRATION.

THE ARRANGEMENTS.

The arrangements made by the Committee for the celebration of St. George's Day, April 23rd, are as follows:— "In the morning ladies throughout the Colony will sell St. George's badges; in the afternoon there will be a Fancy Fete and Café Chantant at the Volunteer Headquarters (by kind permission of Lieut-Col. Chapman and Officers of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps), and on the Parade Ground adjoining there will be Side Shows in which will be included a Cinematograph, Ventriloquist, Juggling, and Fortune-teller."

The tickets for admittance to the Café Chantant, including tea, are now on sale by ladies at 83 each, children 50.

The Café Chantant will open at 3.30 p.m.

In the evening, as already announced, a Shakespearean Performance will be given in the Theatre Royal at 9.15. Mr. W. Sinclair has the arrangements already well in hand. The Epilogue from Sir Edward Elgar's "Banner of St. George" and other choral items will close the performance; there will be a chorus of one hundred voices, under the supervision of Mr. Denman Fuller. The Band of the 74th Punjab will be in attendance under Bandmaster J. W. Christian."

THE DUFALT CONCERTS.

Notwithstanding the counter-attraction of the War Lecture at the Peak Club, by Mr. Frederic Villiers, Mr. Paul Dufault and his associates had a larger house for their second concert than for their first, and an audience which was no less enthusiastic in its appreciation than the audience on the first night.

Among M. Dufault's most notable contributions were the Aria from "Le Cid," and the songs "Mother O'Mine" and "The Trumpeter." Altogether M. Dufault was on the programme for half a dozen songs, a number which was increased by three or four given as encores, and while each was a rare treat in itself to hear the numbers we have mentioned were simply enthralling in their appeal to the artistic sense of the audience. The duet with Miss Bindley in a scene from "Carmen" was also a very fine performance.

Miss Pauline Bindley's contributions were "One Fine Day" from "Milk and Honey," "Leaves and the Wind" (Lomb), "Villanelle" (Dell Aquia), "My Mother bids me Bind my Hair" (Haydn), "My Message" (d'Harleot), and "Poor Wandering One," from Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance." Miss Bindley is a young soprano whose remarkable voice and interpretative ability make her a worthy companion of M. Dufault on the concert platform, and mark her out for a career of great distinction in the musical world. She fully shared with M. Dufault the appreciation of the audience.

Mr. Ernest Empson, the pianist of the party, having the use on this occasion of a grand piano, played three solos in a manner which well deserved the unstinted applause which greeted them. Never have we seen in the Theatre a more enthusiastic concert audience, and the frequency with which the singers obliged with charming little encore songs added to the pleasure of the evening. This evening's concert and Monday's concert also, cannot fail to attract big houses for, most people who have attended one concert will willingly miss the opportunity to hear these famous singers once again while they remain in the Colony.

SPORT.

THE TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The games played yesterday, resulted as follows:—

CHAMPION SINGLES.
H. A. Nesbit beat M. M. Lo. 6-7, 6-4, 6-3.
CHAMPIONSHIP DOUBLES.
Ny Sze Kwong and Kwong Po Keung beat H. Hancock and H. Hancock 7-5, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4.
HANDICAP SINGLES (A).
S. E. Green beat N. J. Austin 7-5, 6-7.
HANDICAP SINGLES (B).
R. Pectonji beat H. M. Bain, 6-1, 6-4.
J. A. Ridgway beat H. Hindley Pegg, 6-3, 12-1.
MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES.
A. Morse and J. A. Ridgway beat O. C. Stark and N. J. Austin, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.
C. Thorne and T. E. King beat M. M. Maas and W. Manning, 5-8, 6-4, 5-2.
H. E. Muriel and F. Syng Thomson beat Asst. Paymaster N. Wright and Asst. Paymaster Robinson 6-1, 6-4.

MIXED DOUBLES.
Mrs Winslow and F. A. Redmond beat Mrs. C. B. Brown and C. C. Hickling 6-2, 6-3.

The Championship Doubles match between the brothers Hancock and Messrs Ny Sze Kwong and Wong Po Keung was witnessed by an unusually large crowd of spectators. The five sets occupied a little over two hours and concluded just as the light was beginning to fail. The Chinese players won the first set, the brothers Hancock the next two. The Chinese players gained the fourth set, thus making two all. It was a finely contested match throughout, ending in a hard-won victory for the Chinese players."

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COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor, in their weekly report, dated 5th April, state:—"The volume of business transacted since the date of our last report has not been on a very large scale, but prices generally are very well maintained and the market may be called firm. The loan in money continues, but the market has not responded to any great extent."

"Hanchai has experienced one of its periodically quiet weeks, and only small business has resulted."

BANKS are in demand at \$700. Marine Insurance—Unions are wanted at \$810 and Canteens at \$375, while North China at \$150 and Yangtzes at \$235 are quiet with nothing doing."

Fire Insurance—Hongkong Fire could be placed at \$332 1/2 ex dividend, and China Fire at \$155. Shipping—Dry cargoes are quoted \$80 buyers, (ex dividend) with no business passing at the rate. Deferred Indos are in strong demand at \$127 for cash, and although the market has been talked weak there are few sellers to be found."

Star Ferries could be placed at \$53. Steamboats have changed hands at \$177. RUMS—China Sugars opened Wednesday at \$114 cash buyers, with \$116 done for May. Mulubans have buyers at \$31."

CHINA AND MANU—Langkats are quoted Tls. 1 1/2 in the North. Rums are wanted at \$2.30. Trenches are offering at 27/6, Ural Caspians at 20/-, and Shells at 103/-, are unchanged from last week."

DOCKS, WHARVES AND BUILDINGS—Centrals have buyers at \$85. West Pointe have come to business at \$85. Hongkong Land is wanted at \$66. Hongkong have changed hands at \$6.34. Hongkong Hotels continue to offer at \$102."

COTTON MILLS—As mentioned above, Shanghai has been a quiet market throughout the week, the following quotations coming through at the close. Shanghai Cottons Tls. 117 buyers. Ewos at Tls. 147 nominal. Kung Yiks Tls. 13 nominal and Yangtzes Tls. 5 sales."

ELECTRIC COMPANIES—Hongkong Electric are in steady demand at \$20. China Lights have been done at \$4.75, and Hongkong Trams at \$7.35."

MISCELLANEOUS—China Providents are offering at \$8.00. China Borneos could be placed at \$8. Cements have been the medium of a fair business at \$8.55. William Towns are wanted at \$8. Dairy Farms at \$834. Waterboats have come to business at \$161. Hongkong Ice at \$181 ex dividend are quiet with nothing doing."

EXCHANGE—The demand rate on London is 24/4 1/2 and the T.T. selling rate on Shanghai is 63."

THE DREADFUL PUNSTER.

The following paragraph is extracted from the *N.C. Daily News*:—"A correspondent suggests that the difficulty of obtaining native labour recently revealed at the annual meeting of a certain rubber company is because the prevalence of tigers makes the coolies feel so Tamil."

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SATISFACTION DIVISION.

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Friday, 13th April:— 3.15 p.m. Company and Stretcher Drill. Dress—Helmets, shorts, puttees.

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Tuesday, 10th April:— 5.15 p.m. Stretcher Drill. Dress—Helmets, shorts, puttees.

Friday, 13th April:— 5.15 p.m. First Aid Lecture by Divisional Surgeon Cheah.

APPOINTMENTS.

Subject to confirmation by General J. G. Dalton, Chief Commissioner, Lim Cheong Sang, M.B., B.S., is appointed Assistant Divisional Surgeon, and attached to the Victoria Division.

Corporal Kong Hi Fai is appointed Divisional Secretary, Queen's College Division.

RECRUITS.

Attention is drawn to the rule, that in future all candidates for admission to the Brigade must obtain a Medical Certificate from the Surgeon of the Division they desire to join. This Certificate is to be forwarded by the Divisional Surgeon to Dr. Koch, District Surgeon. Officers in Charge of Divisions will, on receiving such Certificates, make careful inquiry into the character and general fitness of the candidates before recommending them for admission.

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